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ARMY FLAGS LOWERED TO HALF-MAST

The Chief of Staff, Rav-Ahiz David Elazar, last night issued an order of the day instructing that flags at all army posts be lowered to half-mast today in salute to the fallen.

"Our comrades went forth into battle, taking their lives into their hands, in the knowledge that they were defending the freedom, safety and independence of the State of Israel," the order reads. It continued: "All Israel, together with the bereaved families, will carry the memory of these heroes in their hearts, and will find consolation in the intensity of their hopes and their sacrifice."



Secretary of State Henry Kissinger (left), diplomat David Newman, Assistant Secretary of State for the Near East, face King Hassan of Morocco at the Royal Palace in Rabat yesterday.

Kissinger U.S. pursuing detente because it fears nuclear escalation

By ANAN SAFADI
Jerusalem Post Arab Affairs Reporter

U.S. Secretary of State Henry Kissinger arrived in Cairo last night for a decisive round of Middle East talks, which could effect some change in the 25-year-old conflict between Israel and the Arabs.

Dr. Kissinger was dealing with a cease-fire which both sides linked to different conditions: The Egyptians to a break in the encirclement of the Third Army and the Israelis to an immediate exchange of prisoners of war. The Secretary of State has expressed his hope that the strengthening of the current cease-fire would lead to peace negotiations on all outstanding issues between Israel and the Arabs.

Dr. Kissinger was expected to hold a preliminary midnight round of talks with Egyptian President

Jerusalem Post Military Correspondent

TEL AVIV. — Fifty additional truckloads of supplies are to be allowed through to the beleaguered Egyptian Third Army, a senior army officer said yesterday.

He told military correspondents the agreement to supply more water, foodstuffs and medicines was reached during one of the recent series of meetings between senior Israeli and Egyptian army officers.

Meir report to Knesset postponed

Jerusalem Post Political Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Likud Knesset faction last night agreed to Premier Golda Meir's request to postpone the special Knesset session on political developments from today until next Monday.

The request was conveyed to the faction by Likud leaders Menahem Begin and Elimelech Rimalt who in the morning were called into the Prime Minister's office and asked by Mrs. Meir to agree to the postponement.

It is understood the delay is connected with Israel's wish to hear the outcome of the current mission of U.S. Secretary of State Henry Kissinger to Arab countries. Both the Government and the Opposition are waiting to see whether Dr. Kissinger is capable of "delivering" the American commitment — given to Israel at the time of acceptance of the cease-fire — that the P-O-W exchange and the lifting of the Bab el Mandeb blockade will be parallel with the cease-fire.

According to press reports, Dr. Kissinger gave Israel to understand that this was part of the agreement reached by him with the Russian leaders when they formulated the cease-fire agreement in Moscow on October 21.

Prime Minister Golda Meir yesterday reported to the Knesset Defence and Foreign Affairs Committee on the results of her visit to the U.S. The Committee then discussed the Prime Minister's report. No details were available.

Red Cross: Israel supplied 7,844 names

GENEVA (UPI). — The International Committee of the Red Cross announced yesterday that Israel has supplied lists of 7,443 Egyptian prisoners of war — 440 of whom are seriously wounded — 377 Syrians, 17 Iraqis and seven Moroccans — a total of 7,844.

Egypt, they said, has given the names of only 111 Israeli prisoners, of whom 45 are badly wounded, while Syria has supplied no names at all.

ART HITS ISRAEL

JACK MAURICE
New York Post Correspondent

— The nine Communist countries joined together in the most vigorous attack on Israel's stand in the West since the 1967 war, according to a Western organization.

The group approved a series of resolutions at a meeting in Moscow last night, calling for a complete withdrawal of Israeli forces from the occupied territories and the establishment of a Palestinian state.

Nixon readies plans to meet fuel shortage

WASHINGTON (Reuters). — President Nixon, yesterday tackled the growing fuel shortage, putting the finishing touches on emergency plans to meet an oil embargo imposed by Arab producers against the U.S.

He called a cabinet meeting to discuss standby plans for petroleum rationing and other measures to conserve dwindling stocks of fuel.

Mr. Nixon also planned to make a televised speech warning the country that it faces a critical energy shortage this winter, because of the oil cut-off being used by Arab countries as a weapon to weaken U.S. support of Israel.

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COMPROMISE SOUGHT ON CEASE-FIRE IN KISSINGER TALKS

By ASHER WALLERSTEIN and DAVID LANDAU
Jerusalem Post Reporters

The proposal for a mutual pull-back by Israel and Egypt across the Suez Canal is expected to be raised by U.S. Secretary Kissinger in his talks in Cairo today. The proposal, which also envisages demilitarized strips along both Canal banks, was adopted by the Israel Cabinet two weeks ago and first made public by Deputy Premier Yigal Allon.

At her press conference in Washington last week, Premier Meir said it would create coherence in the presently incoherent situation.

While Dr. Kissinger attempts to persuade the Arabs to accept this idea, which would solve both the problems of the Egyptian Third Army and the October 22 cease-fire line — Israel will continue allowing food, medicines and clothing to be trucked through its lines to the beleaguered Egyptian force. Informal sources in Jerusalem believe that this Israeli readiness to allow the truck convoys to continue will itself give Dr. Kissinger

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KNIT FASHIONS

Americans here petition Nixon on P-o-W exchange

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Six thousand American citizens, most of whom reside in Israel, yesterday petitioned President Nixon "to bring all possible influence to bear on the governments of Syria and Egypt to implement an immediate and full exchange of prisoners of war. The signatures were gathered in three days by members of the Association of Americans and Canadians in Israel.

The petition was presented yesterday morning by a delegation of AACC leaders to U.S. Ambassador Kenneth Keating at the American Embassy in Tel Aviv.

Mr. Keating promised to cable the contents of the petition to Washington and expressed his understanding of the problem. The Ambassador spoke of the special sympathy of the American people to the problem of P-o-Ws and soldiers missing in action, having experienced many years of struggle over the issue in Vietnam.

Meanwhile, a dozen men and women calling themselves "Citizens against Political Holocaust" began picketing the U.S. Embassy yesterday morning, in protest against the continuation of supplies to the Egyptian Third Army and what they call "U.S. pressure on the Israeli Government." The picketers told them their protest would continue until this pressure was removed.

They have been joined by other groups in a roof organization called "Citizens against Surrender," and a similar vigil is planned to begin at 10.30 today outside the Knesset.

ICFTU appeals to Arabs on P-o-Ws

Jerusalem Post Correspondent

BRUSSELS. — The International Confederation of Free Trade Unions, which comprises 50 million workers in non-Communist countries, appealed to Egypt and Syria yesterday to produce lists of their Israeli prisoners of war.

ICFTU secretary-general Otto Kersten made his appeal here in cables to the Egyptian and Syrian presidents, in which he asked them to ensure "a genuine observation of the cease-fire."

THE WEATHER

Forecast: Fair and dry. Weather synopsis: Edge of high pressure over the eastern Mediterranean is causing a dry easterly flow in our region.

Yesterday's Humidity	Yesterday's Min.-Max.	Today's Forecast
Jerusalem	10-14	10-17
Golan	10-11	10-13
Nahariya	10-12	10-14
Safed	10-12	10-14
Haifa	10-12	10-14
Tiberias	10-12	10-14
Nazareth	10-12	10-14
Afula	10-12	10-14
Beth Shimon	10-12	10-14
Tel Aviv	10-12	10-14
Lod	10-12	10-14
Jericho	10-12	10-14
Gaza	10-12	10-14
Beer Sheva	10-12	10-14
El Al	10-12	10-14
Tiran	10-12	10-14

Social and Personal

President Ephraim Katzir yesterday received a delegation of the Jewish War Veterans of America, who are holding their convention in Israel.

Sir Isaac Wolfson yesterday called on Chief Rabbi Shlomo Goren and Chief Rabbi Ovadia Yosef at Hechal Shlomo.

Rabbi Jacob Kaplan, Chief Rabbi of France, yesterday called on Chief Rabbi Ovadia Yosef at Hechal Shlomo.

Mr. Henri Glasberg of Paris, a founder of the New Shaare Zedek Medical Centre, visited Shaare Zedek Hospital in Jerusalem today and lunched with some of the wounded soldiers hospitalized there. (Continued)

Military correspondents Yirmiyahu Yovel, Gideon Remez, Shlomo Goren and David Eising will speak on the war at the Jerusalem Vocal Newspaper, Friday evening, November 9, at Beit Eitan.

A group of musicians who immigrated recently will give a concert at the Ohel Hall in Tel Aviv at 6 p.m. tomorrow for the benefit of wounded soldiers.

DEPARTURES

Julian Melzer of Yad Chaim Weizmann, for London, Manchester and Liverpool, under British Zionist Federation auspices, to deliver the second annual Weizmann Memorial Lecture.

Dr. Nahum Goldmann, president of the World Jewish Congress, after an 8-day visit.

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Most prices to rise IN WAKE OF TAX HIKES

By AARON SEITNER, Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Beginning this morning manufacturers, importers and wholesalers may lawfully raise their prices without prior Government approval — provided the increases are "within reasonable limits."

Gideon Lahav, Director-General of the Ministry of Commerce and Industry, said permission was being given now to forestall possible chaos in the marketplace following the Treasury's announcement — midnight Sunday — that the purchase tax and import levy had been raised. Another factor, he said, was higher electricity and fuel costs.

Price Commissioner Moshe Mandelbaum, who joined Mr. Lahav at a meeting with economic reporters here, said, "Reasonable limits for price increases, as the Ministry sees them, are 2 per cent for locally manufactured goods, 4 per cent for imported articles, and 12.5 per cent for imported merchandise now subject to higher customs duties as well as higher import levy. The latter category includes shoes, furniture, glassware and certain motor vehicles and electrical appliances."

Dr. Mandelbaum said prior approval from the Price Review Committee is still required for any increase in the price of some 100 food items for which a list of maximum permissible retail prices was published on January 1.

Manufacturers and marketers who wish to raise prices by more than 2, 4 or 12.5 per cent, according to their eligibility, will also require prior approval. They will be asked to prove the tax changes and higher energy costs have boosted their expenses.

Mr. Lahav emphasized that higher prices are permitted only on merchandise on which higher taxes have already been paid. Thus it is definitely illegal for a shopkeeper to increase prices on inventory he had on hand when the changes were announced. Mr. Lahav warned consumers: "Be wary of prices rubber-stamped onto earlier prices — and report any violations to us immediately."

Turning to higher prices for frozen beef resulting from Sunday's cancellation of the Government subsidy, Mr. Lahav urged Israeli housewives to turn to turkey and other poultry. "Our farms have plenty of fowl — and the quantities are such that a much greater demand for this food will not be enough to bring the prices up," he said.

He thought the "bottlenecks" caused by the shortage of slaughterhouses was the prime factor in preventing turkey and other poultry from becoming a more popular staple in the Israeli diet.

In answer to a question, he told *The Jerusalem Post* he saw no reason for the continuation of the traditional gulf in prices between frozen and locally slaughtered beef. The usual differential has been between ELS and IL20 per kilo. But now that the subsidy has been removed from frozen beef, the prices of the two kinds should be about equal.

Mr. Lahav said discussions were already being held with local livestock breeders, but it was impossible to say at this time that the price of the two kinds of beef would remain the same.

Present annual beef consumption in this country is 40,000 tons of the frozen variety and 16,000 tons of locally slaughtered meat.

Earlier in the day, Commerce and Industry Minister Haim Bar-Lev called in heads of the nation's business and trade organizations and appealed to them not to allow their members to raise prices on goods they had on hand at the time the higher taxes were announced. One of the first organizations to give this undertaking was the Israel Merchants Association, a retailers group.

The Government, however, was not taking any chances. Early yesterday morning, investigations of the State Revenue Administration made lightning visits to the larger warehouses and halted all transactions while they checked the inventories and adjusted the tax bills.

Truckers demand right to run transport business their way

By YITZHAK OKED, Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Israel's truckers complained yesterday that the trucking sector is falling apart at the seams and demanded the Government must let them organize things their own way.

Menahem Goren, chairman of the Trucking Board, told the press at Beit Sokolow that the only way to unblock the economic bottleneck created by the present trucking crisis is to let the Trucking Board organize things according to their own plan. He charged that the inefficiency of the present organizations (primarily the Emergency Economic Committee — Melah) has led to a black market in the form of West Bank truckers who charge exorbitant rates.

He noted with special displeasure the fact that Melah had assigned trucks permanently to certain plants — which he called "the end of hired trucking."

Mr. Goren's plan — which, he says, the Transport Ministry is not listening to — involves releasing

some 2,000 requisitioned trucks from the army and letting the trucking companies do the jobs that need to be done — giving first priority to the army. A large number of trucks and most of the country's truck drivers have been mobilized. Mr. Goren says the truckers are the only group in the country who were so hard hit by the war.

If the truckers themselves organized things, he said, much more efficient use could be made of the available vehicles. The trucking companies, because of their experience, could send the right truck to the right place, calculate the time needed for each job, and send the truck and its driver on a number of jobs at once.

The way Melah has been running things, he said, a driver who does an hour's work is paid the same as one who puts in 14 hours. In addition, there is no way to keep track of the trucks. This tempts some drivers to moonlight.

The Transport Ministry last night defended Melah by pointing out that the emergency body was only

MERCHANT MARINE OFFICERS COMPLAIN:

Use of foreign ships, crews could be dangerous for Israel

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — The Merchant Marine Officers Union yesterday called for an inquiry into the policy of the Israeli shipping companies to use a large number of chartered foreign ships and foreign crews.

The Union's Secretary, Captain Shmuel Zucker, claimed that the "neglect of the Israeli flag" might have caused a serious shortage of raw materials and essential items had the war been more protracted, because the chartered ships refused to come here during the war.

He said the national shipping company, Zim, alone was operating 60 chartered foreign ships. These had refused to dock here, and foreign crews employed by Zim deserted their ships. (However, he gave only one example — of a

Chinese crew leaving a Zim container ship.)

He called for legislation obliging importers and exporters to ship at least 60 per cent of their goods in Israeli flag ships, to forbid any further sales of Israeli ships and to direct investment capital to Israeli flag ships only. He also called for "conclusions to be drawn" on "those responsible for this potentially very dangerous situation."

Asked to comment, the director of the Maritime Transport Authority, Captain Yohanan Cohen, said that during October 472,000 tons of cargo had arrived in Israel — proving that the Israeli flag tonnage was well in excess of emergency needs. Indeed, one-third of Israeli flag ships had not been needed at all to keep the sea lanes open.

Tennis season postponed, players still in service

By JACK LEON, Jerusalem Post Sports Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Saturday's scheduled opening of the Israel Lawn Tennis Association's League season has been postponed because many of the players in the 100 competing teams are still on active duty.

The management committee of ILTA is to meet on Monday to decide on a new opening date for both the men's and women's sections. It is hoped to begin before the end of this month, association heads Avram Feiger and Meir Saucis told *The Post*.

Also postponed because of the war is the eighth annual State Tennis Cup between old rivals Tel Aviv Maccabi and Tel Aviv Hapoel, which was to have been played here early this month.

ILTA still awaits word from the

Davis Cup nations committee on the outcome of its special meeting in London last weekend to reschedule the European Zone preliminary between Israel and Iran, which was due to have taken place in Tehran October 9-11. The Davis Cup nations had earlier agreed to postpone the tie at ILTA's urgent request, after the latter explained that the outbreak of hostilities on October 6 had made it impossible for the Israeli team to be in Tehran as scheduled.

Meanwhile, Israel's top woman player, Paulina Pelsosov, last week got off to a good start on the international circuit when she beat Sue Barker, Britain's fourth-ranking under-21 player, in the first round of the prestigious Dewar Cup indoor series at Aberavon, Wales. However, she proceeded to lose to the Romanian Federation Cup girl, Mariana Simionescu, and injure her ankle as well.

TWA paralysed by U.S. strike

Jerusalem Post Aviation Correspondent

Four scheduled TWA flights did not land at Lod Airport yesterday as a result of a strike which paralysed the airline's services worldwide.

The airline's operations were suspended as a result of a strike of the U.S. Transport Workers Union, to which its pursers and hostesses belong.

The stoppage comes several days following resumption of the company's flights to Israel, which were suspended with the outbreak of hostilities on October 6.

'Official' rain returns to Haifa

By YA'ACOV FREEDLER, Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — Afternoon rain in Haifa is "official" again, for the first time in two years. Since November, 1971, there had been nobody to read and register rainfall, which is the duty of the local meteorological station, which is located in the port, after 3 p.m.

Since the war, however, the three meteorologists who man the station have been placed on essential occupation status, and now man the station round the clock.

For the past two years there had been no official rainfall in Haifa from 3 in the afternoon until 7.30 in the morning, and never on Saturdays and holidays when the staff was off duty.



An Israeli soldier on the west bank of the Suez Canal sprays his comrades' clothing and equipment with insecticide. The troops have been complaining that they are pestered by numerous forms of insect life in Africa. (Uzi Keren — Samahan)

More volunteers coming for citrus harvest

The Jewish Agency's Youth and Hehalutz Department is currently working out a new programme aimed at bringing overseas volunteers to Israel for at least three months to work in citrus groves and packing houses.

Mordechai Bar-On, head of the Youth and Hehalutz Department, yesterday outlined the plan which is intended to help the citrus industry over its present manpower shortage with the picking season now under way. The volunteers will be housed at special centres, where they will study Hebrew and attend lectures on Israeli and Jewish topics. They will work mainly in newly planted groves still under the control of the Jewish Agency's Settlement Department.

Mr. Bar-On said some 1,200 volunteers have already arrived in Israel under the six-month programme started during the war, and most of them have been successfully absorbed by kibbutzim throughout the country.

Rotary raising funds for new hospital beds

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Israel Rotary is raising IL1m. to buy special medical equipment for wounded soldiers. One-quarter of the target sum has already been collected.

The campaign comes in place of Rotary's regular project of purchasing artificial kidneys and coronary care units — says Avraham Goldwasser, the driving force behind the artificial kidney campaign.

Among the special equipment were 20 Dutch-made hospital beds for soldiers with brain or spinal injuries. A light touch on an electric switch changes the position of the bed, which is of great help to the medical staff in treating the badly wounded and adds to the comfort of the patient too. The 20 beds will cost \$50,000.

The Governor of Rotary, Judge Ya'acov Bar-Zeev of Tiberias, has sent 16,000 letters to Rotary Clubs all over the world, asking members to intervene on humanitarian grounds for the release of prisoners, names by the Egyptians and the Syrians.

Parties say they can meet poll deadline

Jerusalem Post Political Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The political parties believe they can get their election machines into gear again to meet the December 31 election deadline — if the cease-fire continues. It emerges from talks with key politicians in the Labour Alliance, Likud, National Religious and Independent Liberal parties. Likud sources said they could get a campaign under way within a night.

The election talks go on despite proposals to postpone the election for a year and in the mean set up a broad national coalition including the Likud opposition. (elections, originally due to be on October 30, were put off to October 31 by the Knesset because of the war.)

Initiative for such a move, or from the NRP and the ILP, but Alignment and the Likud seem to show reluctance to join together in a coalition. It is already participation in any future coalition on the inclusion of the Likud, leverage will depend on the number of seats the Alignment can recruit. Likud leader Menachem Begin, other opposition spokesmen already indicated that their campaign will focus on the government's conduct of the war and its diplomatic aftermath.

The Labour Party has as the NRP that the utmost will be done to curb election expenses. This promise was contained in a reply from Labour Party Secretary General Avraham Yadin to secretary Yehonatan Yehonatan. The Labour Party has been canvassing the main parties, asking them to reduce spending and keep the campaign as simple as possible. Mr. Yadin also noted that Avraham Ofer, M.K. of the Labour Party, and other Labour members of the Knesset Central Election Committee were initiating contact with other parties to this effect.

Independent M.K. Avner, who earlier this year broke away from the NRP, yesterday the creation of a National Agency Cabinet and a postponement of the election. Dr. Shalit told *The Post* the leadership of the other small ally oriented lists had him, to unite in a common front if the elections were postponed.

Israel 'did not ask U.S. for anti-tank missile'

Jerusalem Post Correspondent

WASHINGTON. — Israel requested American-made anti-tank missiles before the Yom Kippur war, according to informed defence officials.

That Israel failed to request missiles is attributed here to relative high costs — about \$100,000 per unit — or to the fact Israel had some French and German-made missiles. These, however, are not considered here as effective as the U.S. or Soviet-made missiles. Israel's lack of interest in U.S. missiles may also have stemmed from a lack of appreciation of the weapons' effectiveness and voluntary impact on tank warfare.

According to these officials, missiles which are wire-guided are easy to operate and aim, but are vulnerable from a distance of up to two miles. They are deployed by individual soldiers from small helicopters, and used with great effect in Vietnam, the officials say.

REUTERS'S SOURCE. Mr. Yadin said yesterday that Israel was to peace-time routines and is not receiving a limited number of civilian patients.

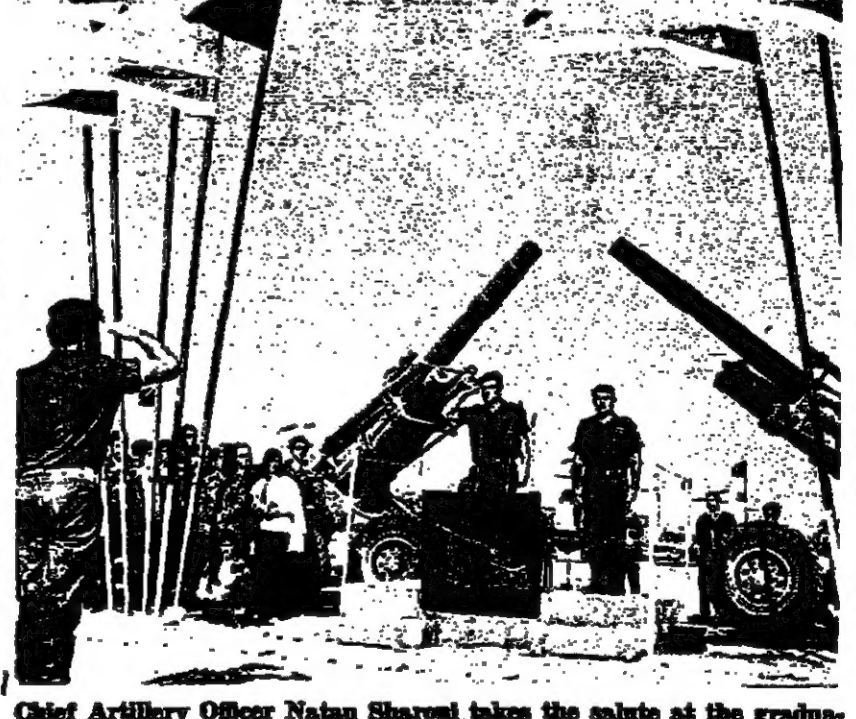
Parents of fallen receive insignia at graduation

Military Pool Correspondent

Flags were lowered to half-mast at an artillery officers graduation ceremony somewhere in Israel yesterday, as the parents of graduates who fell in the war came forward to receive their sons' certificates and insignia.

The officers course was interrupted when the war broke out and the cadets rejoined their units to take part in the war. Chief Artillery Officer Tal-Aluf Nathan Sharoni told the graduates that this course "was different from any that preceded it. You have already taken part in the most difficult of all Israel's wars and have shown unlimited devotion and courage."

Turning to the bereaved parents, Tal-Aluf Sharoni said: "The memory of the fallen will accompany us always. They fell for the right to live in this country."



Chief Artillery Officer Nathan Sharoni takes the salute at the graduation ceremony yesterday of artillery officers. (Army photo)

No decision on start of academic year

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The leaders of the country's institutions of higher learning, conferring in Tel Aviv yesterday, decided... not to decide for the time being about when to open the new academic year. Studies were to have been resumed at the beginning of this month. Each university will now have to make its own decision.

The main problem is that the vast majority of male students have been called up for military service and the consideration is not to harm their interests by starting classes now. The solution hinges on the situation at the front, whether hostilities resume and when large numbers of reservists will be demobilized to enable them to attend classes.

A GROUP OF 37 pilgrims from the U.S. arrived at Lod Airport last night for a seven-day visit to Christian holy sites in Israel.

18,500 tourists here in October

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Some 18,500 tourists came to Israel last month. The number was about a quarter of the estimated total for October, which was to mark the start of the special low-priced "winter package" for visitors.

Last year, the month of October accounted for nearly 69,500 tourists. Meanwhile, the first cruise ship since the outbreak of hostilities October 6 will dock in Haifa today.

She is the Neptune, bringing 170 Christian pilgrims from the U.S. They will join two other pilgrim groups this week coming by air, one from North America and the other from Germany.

HAIFA JUDGES and court workers returned yesterday after a week's stint as night watchmen in settlements in the Golan. Among those who volunteered their services were Judges Arye Slutsky and Ram Savir.

IN MEMORIAM Wilfred Jenks, fighter for justice

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The death of Wilfred Jenks, after a brief illness, comes as a shock to his many friends throughout the world, and here in Israel. He personified the international struggle for the rights of man, not as a matter of legal and political theory but as a highly practical matter in terms of human happiness. He saw the International Labour Organization, whose Director-General he was, as the instrument through which these aims could be achieved.

I remember Wilfred Jenks first and foremost as a man of the law. Now law is a narrow, strictly sense, but law as the objective generalised standard of conduct for the whole world. Not for nothing was the book that many regard as his greatest, entitled "The Common Law of Mankind."

Secondly, I would remember Wilfred Jenks as a fighter for justice. Justice for the individual, justice for the collectivity, justice for all. For him justice was not a formal matter; it meant real social justice.

He had a passionate interest in international adjudication in general and in the International Court of Justice in particular. He was forever searching for new ways to improve the efficacy of the machinery for the pacific settlement of international disputes, and above all the International Court.

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"...faithful and loving in life, in death not parted... Swifter than the eagle, and more resolute than the lion..."

THUS David mourned the death of Saul and Jonathan in battle against the Philistines; thus praying Jews to this day mourn our martyrs of all the generations; thus we in Israel today mourn the 1,854 dead of the Yom Kippur War — even as we pray for the welfare of the 450 men believed to be in Egyptian and Syrian captivity and of the 1,800 still being treated in our hospitals; and we press thanks and another prayer for the 3,000 wounded who have recovered and returned to their units. To say nothing of a heartfelt prayer for all the men at their posts.

Not only we in Israel — all Jews everywhere mourn and pray for those who, they know, are the frontline soldiers not only of the inhabitants of a clearly delineated place on the map called Israel but of the entire Jewish people. In essence, the Yom Kippur attempt on our life was no different from all the previous attempts in the 4,000-year history of the Jewish people. The difference is that today we are able to defend ourselves, even if it is with heavy sacrifices.

That Jews everywhere recognize that Israel beleaguered is a beleaguering of them, too, and that our soldiers are their soldiers, too, is attested by their rallying to give whatever material and political aid their conditions allow, and by their coming here — suspending their private lives — to perform vital civilian tasks. Many of them had not realized but now know that the alarm that tolled for us on Yom Kippur after-

noon tolled for them, too; many of us in Israel did not or would not acknowledge but now know that an alarm sounded here is heard by brother Jews everywhere. Many learned this the hard way, and also learned that the assault on them was not a product of the new "Zionist sin," but of the encouragement given the Arab States, and not by the east bloc alone, to assume that the establishment of Israel had been a temporary fact that could be eliminated by opposition.

We grieve — all of us; we are bereaved — all of us, and soon when it is possible to publish the names of the fallen, many of us will grieve again. Some of us, in our bereavement, turn on ourselves as though we — or one of us — had personally committed some sin which brought about the bereavement.

Some of us, in our bereavement, transport ourselves back to Massada and translate our selves into the bodies of the fast-stand defenders of Massada, as though there were no sons left to live the losses of the past week. This is an understandable but artificial and dangerous attempt to invest our own, immediate loss with a glory of desperation that is of another time and place.

If glory we need, if glory we must lift from elsewhere to give meaning to our grief and bereavement, then let us look not to Massada but to Modi'in and the Maccabees of 2,137 years ago — the Maccabees who fought to keep alive the light of Jewish living, whose motto was "I shall not die but live."

ISN'T THERE ANYTHING TO DO?



ISRAEL PRESS

Kissinger and Egypt

Davar (Histadrut) says that "Sadat need not expect on Israel's part any further gestures or continuation of the present one in the matter of supplies to the beleaguered Egyptian Third Army until such time as Egypt upholds the requirements of the Geneva Convention, lifts the blockade of the Bab-el-Mandeb Straits and in general, stops violating the cease-fire."

Hatzofe (National Religious) says that "Dr. Kissinger's position vis-a-vis the Egyptian demands will determine whether or not the U.S. can prevent a renewed conflagration in the region. It is not by making concessions to an aggressor that one stems an attack, but by taking a firm stand."

Hatzofe (non party) says that "since we do not want to finance the war by inflationary means and since further taxation on income is not feasible and even detrimental, the only thing left is to reduce the public's effective buying power." At the same time the paper hopes that

"prices increases will not exceed what is necessitated by the measures in question, and that the situation will not be exploited by suppliers and distributors for personal profit."

Omer (Histadrut) agrees that war and high living do not go together. "The time has not yet arrived when all we need worry about is another lira and another bit of luxury. We must regain our former awareness that what we are here for is to build a country and homeland for our people."

Al Hanihmar (Mapam) complains of uneven distribution of the burden. While low wage earners are receiving sizeable chunks removed from their take-home pay, "it is doubtful whether all the amounts given or pledged by those of means exceed what they owe anyway in the way of back taxes."

Hanihmar (Agudat Yisrael) suggests that a driving ban be imposed on the Sabbath in keeping with Jewish tradition.

ISSUES FOR KISSINGER TO TACKLE IN CAIRO First lines and last

By LEA BEN DOE

U.S. Secretary of State Dr. Kissinger is only rarely short of an answer, but before he left the U.S. on his present swing around the Arab capitals he said it was "hard to be profound in the rain." It won't have been raining in Egypt when he got there, so we may expect him to take a careful look at statements made there, aided by all the clarity of blue skies.

The first point that we would like him to take into consideration concerns borders. A great deal of world-wide sympathy has lately been poured out for the Arab states, who are seen to suffer under the loss of territories in 1967. The Nine in Europe confirmed this last night. No doubt they have suffered, but the suffering is almost entirely a matter of prestige. Many tens of thousands of refugees in Gaza and on the Jordan West Bank have made more progress towards rehabilitation and a return to normal life in the six years since 1967 than in the 18 years preceding.

Egypt and even Syria have shown the political good sense to conceal their appeals, threats and propaganda in the issue of the territories lost to them in 1967 and a sympathetic reaction has swept the world press.

For many commentators it has become the only issue in the Middle East of which they are fully aware.

"This is the first target, the first line at which they are aiming," a senior military commentator observed recently. "This is all they are willing to talk about at the moment. But will Dr. Kissinger please ask them what the last line, the final border is to be?"

"Will any of them, in fact, commit themselves to the acceptance of the June 4, 1967 borders as peace borders for Israel? They certainly did not accept them prior to 1967; then the popular, the appealing, phrase was that Israel should go back to the U.N. Partition Scheme borders, which would create a state consisting of three separate areas linked only by so-called 'crossing points.'"

And we have not forgotten — though most other people have — that it was this unlikely, risky structure that saved Arab states combined to destroy in 1948 even before it was established.

Perhaps we should be appreciative that most of the terrorist organizations make no secret of the fact that they are not seeking a change in borders or any other arrangement that would involve them in recognizing the existence of the State of Israel,

but simply its destruction in its present political form, that is, the ending of Jewish independence in Israel, regardless of borders.

Heykal's view

Thus the essential question for Dr. Kissinger to ask is what are the last, the final, borders you envisage for Israel, to which you will commit yourself? Hassanin Heykal, of Cairo's "Al-Ahram," often seeks to convey the truth to the careful reader. The same source pointed out last Friday he wrote complainingly that if Dr. Kissinger could not force Israel back to the "lines of October 23," when the first cease-fire was supposed to go into effect, then how was he later going to push them back to the lines of 1967?

The U.S. appears to feel that if a move were made by the Israeli forces on the west side of the Canal that would enable the Egyptian Third Army to establish a secure corridor to Cairo for supplies, including of course military supplies, then the prospects would be improved for getting talks going on a general settlement. According to Heykal, Egypt would then be more hopeful of the fact that the pre-1967 lines and might indeed be willing to discuss this with some sympathetic international forum. It is misleading to discuss in-

term arrangements. The only borders to discuss are those which the Arab states will commit themselves to recognize as final borders between themselves and Israel.

It will not be easy to have this essential principle recognized by the outside world which is anxious to be brought into the debate in order to defend their oil interests and other fears linked with war in the Middle East. We cannot afford to enter this difficult debate, which will need courage and confidence, with the double handicap that derives from the early days of the fighting and the military successes both Egyptians and Syrians were able to chalk up at that time. On the one hand a large section of the public is justifying to see heads roll in the army and the government for errors of judgement committed in the period immediately preceding Yom Kippur, and which are not difficult to identify with the help of hindsight. It wishes to see heads roll in deep disappointment that there has not been another stupendous victory as in 1967, without any clear idea of what other team they would like to see take over instead.

In due course the military experts may in fact decide that the conduct of the fighting itself, which took the Israeli forces rapidly from acute disadvantage on the third day of the fighting to the stage at which the Russians had to press urgently for a cease-fire to save the Egyptian forces, was a greater feat of arms even than the destruction of the Egyptian air force in the first two hours of the Six Day War, after which their ground forces, deprived of an air umbrella, showed limited resistance and the troops in many cases fled.

New kind of war

The war in 1973 is in no way similar to that of 1967. Missiles and rockets are effective against planes and tanks however well manned; and their support also gave a new sense of individual confidence at least to Egyptian armour and ground troops, who had successfully absorbed some of the Soviet military tactics of massive attack.

The desire to see heads roll is human if not always useful. The mood of dependency that has overtaken some of the public is natural where it is the result of the heavy casualties we have suffered. But with a Europe falling over its feet to appease the oil-rich Arabs, we have a terribly tough battle ahead in which public morale may become one of the most important elements. The losses have been crushing. But if we allow ourselves to be crushed by them they will also have been in vain.

EMPTY EGYPTIAN STOMACHS AND LARGE ISRAELI 'POCKETS'

The view on both sides of the Canal

The following dispatch from the *Suez Front* is from *Panorama* of the *London "Sunday Times"*.

Third Army, trapped on the east bank of the Suez Canal, is a growing threat to the fragile Middle East cease-fire.

Since the fighting stopped, the only supplies to reach the 20,000 Arab soldiers have been those delivered at night's pace by the United Nations convoy, and they will have been of small comfort. The ration of each man which the 125 lorries brought from Cairo was a few pints of warm water, two pieces of cheese, one packet of biscuits, two vitamin tablets, two aspirins, one sachet of sugar, tea and coffee, one box of matches and three cigarettes.

The last of those rations were due to be delivered on Sunday and so far Israel is adamant that no more will follow. Unless American pressure forces the Israeli Cabinet to change its mind — and to change it rapidly — the Third Army must surrender, fight or starve.

If the outcome is a resumption of the fighting, Israeli forces on the west bank of the Canal will have to be Egypt's first target. President Sadat, and Cairo Radio continue to call the invading Israeli brigades "pockets," but from what journalists have been shown in the last few days those "pockets" are of cavernous proportions.

There are now three Israeli bridge-heads across the Canal, 20 miles north of the Great Bitter Lake. From these it is a 50-mile drive along the Canal to the city of Suez — and Israeli tanks and heavy artillery litter the sand as far as the eye can see.

Every few miles along the road-side, captured and undamaged Egyptian tanks and half-tracks are parked in orderly rows waiting to be pressed into Israeli service if the need arises. Captured Sam 2 and Sam 3 missiles, with operating instructions obligingly printed in English as well as Russian, are now pointing in the sky towards Cairo.

Outskirts of Suez

It is now clear that Israel completed the encirclement of the Third Army by taking the outskirts of Suez city, which is now at her mercy. The city, and the Arab soldiers trapped inside it, are short of water.

In contrast, 1,000 cattle and donkeys, who happened to be in the Israeli-held part of the city, are being fed and watered. As a concession, four Egyptians are allowed to pass through Israeli lines for a few hours each day to do the donkey work.

On the main road into the city, at that separates Arab and Jew are 15 yards, two burnt-out lorries and the "thin blue line" of the

United Nations peace-keeping force. The handful of Finnish soldiers have bayonets fixed on their self-loading rifles but they keep their magazines of ammunition in their pockets presumably to avoid accidental discharge. They are, understandably, nervous.

In the fighting, the Israelis took a number of apartment blocks, some of which are now being used to billet the troops. The former occupants fled so quickly under the Israeli artillery barrage that they did not have time to take their possessions. Furniture, ornaments, clothes and even food were abandoned.

Although the Egyptian soldiers trapped inside Suez must have seen ample evidence of the strength of the invading army, there are some indications that Cairo Radio is keeping others in the dark. On the day of the second cease-fire, three Egyptians were captured while on their way to deliver an Israeli lieutenant, Alon Kaplan, to a prisoner of war camp. Lt. Kaplan had been captured on the east bank of the canal, behind the Bar-Lev line, and then taken across the water in a punt to what the Egyptians thought was home ground. To their bewilderment, the soldiers they came across, sleeping under Russian tanks, were Israeli and, after a brief gun battle, the Arab captors found themselves prisoners.



Israeli tank crews relax in chairs "borrowed" from deserted apartment blocks in the city of Suez.

Readers' letters

Double standard

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post
Sir, — The hypocrisy and double standards of the so-called non-aligned nations, which in unison accuse Israel of "aggression" against the Arabs, is best revealed in a recent statement of Mrs. Indira Gandhi, Prime Minister of India, at a press conference in Kerala Province.

Mrs. Gandhi stated that India's support of the Arabs is based on the principle of non-recognition of acts of aggression and on the demand that Israel retreat from the occupied territories.

However, when she was asked whether she stance against aggression is also applicable to the areas captured by India in Kashmir, her reply was that this is India's position in principle, "but when it applies to us, we have to act in the best interests of our country."

Kashmir, a predominantly Moslem region, has been in dispute between India and Pakistan since 1947, after the end of the British rule. In August 1965, the armed forces of both nations became involved in a spreading war. It is interesting to note that, in September of that year, both sides agreed to accept a U.N. Security Council demand for a cease-fire but did not comply with a call for them to withdraw their forces across the old cease-fire line.

However, in the case of Israel, both India and Pakistan are vehement supporters of the demand that Israel withdraw to the pre-1967 lines. Another case of do as I say, not as I do.

DR. RUBEN EFRON
Jerusalem, November 1.

The U.N. at Bab el-Mandeb

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post
Sir, — Why doesn't the U.N. place peace observers or emergency force troops in the Bab el-Mandeb straits to ensure free passage for Israel-bound ships? Wasn't such an arrangement an integral part of a cease-fire agreement?

G. ALEXANDER
Jerusalem, November 2.

THE TRUE ARAB OBJECTIVE

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post
Sir, — On June 3, 1967, the Egyptian, Syrian and Jordanian armies stood fully mobilized and poised on the borders of Israel. The Egyptians employed a blockade at the Straits of Tiran blocking off a major Israeli life-line, commanded the U.N. forces to withdraw, and announced a "holy" war to liquidate the State of Israel.

October 5, 1973, the Egyptians and Syrians claimed that their total avowed purpose was the redemption of the land lost during the 1967 war. In 1967, they were where they say they now want to be. But in 1967, they were still the aggressors.

How, in clear conscience, can the world ask Israel to believe that the Arab objective of June 3, 1967, is no longer their objective and that Israel should gamble the lives of its three million citizens on the word of an insecure Arab leader?

DAN ABRAHAM
Netanya, October 29.

Ads and editors

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post
Sir, — Mr. Sand's letter (October 30) should not pass unchallenged. If it understood it correctly, your editors are called to order for having destroyed much of the advertisement's effectiveness, even though Mr. Sand is quite sure that *The Jerusalem Post* charged full price for its insertion.

I am not discussing the point that, when charging less than the full price, the editors might have been in their right to "destroy" the advertisement's effectiveness, but would wish to stress the right and obligation of a newspaper to comment on certain advertisements. The insertion of advertisements in a certain newspaper is not only purchase of space and access to a certain public (in fact, to the other party's partisans), but also of the newspaper's reputation. This is what the editors must protect. Indeed, what they must protect is the public's confidence in what they read in a paper, whether text or advertisement.

It could be pointed out that the possibility of editors of a paper commenting on advertisements they publish is a welcome deterrent on speculator-advertisers, whether commercial or other. And possibly the only deterrent there is. Therefore, my conclusion would be that *The Jerusalem Post* is to be commended for not having unreservedly sold advertisement space at the price of advertisement space.

J. LADON
Jerusalem, October 30.

SOLDIERS STILL NEED HELP

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post
Sir, — I have just got home from the front on a 24-hour pass. I had to wait over half an hour at the ramparts where we wait for letters in one town before I was able to get a lift while cars went by with plenty of spare room. Some people do not seem to realize that, for the soldier at the front, the war is far from over and that, when they are lucky enough to get a short home leave, there is a precious commodity which they can ill afford to fritter away begging for help in the form of lifts.

If some citizens can be so unconcerned as to let us simply stand by the roadside, why doesn't the law come to our aid? The appropriate ministries should issue regulations under the Emergency Powers Act so that policemen would be able to stop every vehicle at the roadside, ask the driver his destination and tell him to take soldiers if he has seats to spare.

A FRONT-LINE SOLDIER
(Name and address supplied)
Jerusalem, October 30.

Firm backing from U.S. labour

TEL AVIV. — American Labour's the American labour movement firm backing for Israel was reaffirmed this week by AFL-CIO Mr. Meany responded: "There is no need to thank us for things we so willingly." He said their traditional backing of Israel would be maintained.

This report was conveyed by cable to Histadrut head offices here. Mr. Ben-Aharon took the opportunity to convey Israel Labour's gratitude to members.

Mr. Ben-Aharon was the main speaker at the opening session of the National Council for Labor in Israel attended by 1,000 trade union members.



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